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HEAVEN CAN WAIT NEWSLETTER – January 2010

News from the Ranch

Ranch residents are generally doing well, although Rolo's foot problems are still being treated and he is still on stall rest but he sure would like to have more walks. His large and loving fanclub can come to visit – it's more important than ever for this good guy to get attention. Thank you to all who are there for him. That's visitor Sue Jones with Rolo at left.



Happy New Year, Healthy New Year

This may sound goofy, but HCW could really use a small tractor of its own, and we are seeking a new harrow to keep the pastures in shape. One never knows when one will hear of such an opportunity – please think of us if you do.

CARMA Grant

HCW has received a very nice grant from CARMA, the retired racehorse benevolent organization based in Southern California. Although we were unable to get to Santa Anita Racetrack this year to receive the honor in person, Heaven Can Wait is proud and grateful to be recognized and supported by CARMA.

GoodSearch Toolbar

You can help HCW just by searching and shopping online through the GoodSearch and GoodShop sites. It's free and easy to put their toolbar on your home page. Check it out at this link and use your everyday need to search the Web as a way of supporting Heaven Can Wait. Each time you shop at more than 1,300 stores a percentage of your purchase will automatically be donated to Heaven Can Wait Equine Rescue and Sanctuary - at no cost to you (and you may even save money as the toolbar provides coupons and deals as well!). The toolbar also has a search box and each time you search the Internet, about a penny is donated to Heaven Can Wait Equine Rescue and Sanctuary.

<http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/heaven-can-wait-equine-rescue-and-sanctuary-san-miguel>

And please pass this along to all of your friends. The two minutes it takes to add this toolbar to your browser can make a lifetime of difference. Thank you.

Avon Fundraiser

We want to thank Miranda Battenburg of the Avon Store (205 Oak Hill Rd, Paso Robles) for helping us sell Avon products on behalf of the Sanctuary in November and December. This program,

which returns 25% of the sales to HCW, is open to anyone who wishes to help us. Call Miranda at 805/227-6024 or visit the store (next to another terrific HCW supporter, Cider Creek Bakery) to learn more.

Benefit Bargains at 5Star Hay and Feed

Eddie, Aaron and Christian at 5Star Hay and Feed continue to lend strong support to the Sanctuary through the Benefit Bargains Tack Shop at their location at 275 Marquita Way in Paso (805/434-3548). We recently sold a handsome dressage saddle and all proceeds went directly to the non-profit for the equines' care. We thank all who have donated tack and other sellable items to us and can use even more. Call Susan at 805/368-5702 or Ramey at 805/712-3109 to arrange for a pick up, or bring your horse-related items in good condition to the Sanctuary. Your in kind donation helps very much.



Upcoming Doggy Fashion Show at Chateau Bow-Wow

Rameena Stubendorff owns Chateau Bow-Wow, a terrific doggy boutique located at 816 13th St in Paso (805/395-3030). She is proof positive that kindness toward animals and people go hand in hand. She has offered her venue and her help in putting together a doggy fashion show to benefit Heaven Can Wait this spring. Watch for announcements, and stop by when you are in town to say hello – if you have a dog or two, you will not regret your visit.

Lunchtime Paso Robles Kiwanis Speaking Engagement

Thank you to Larry Radka, President of the Lunchtime Kiwanis of Paso Robles, for allowing Susan and Ramey to speak to their group on December 29th. Many good questions enlivened the dialogue afterwards. The Kiwanis are involved with Boys and Girls Clubs in the area, and we have invited them to

visit the Sanctuary.

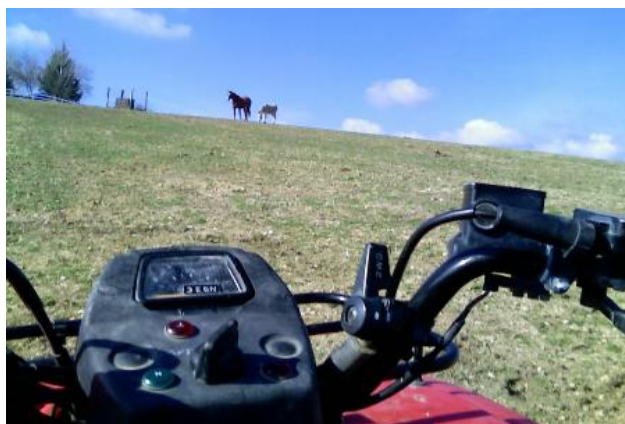
HoPE Sessions Available – Just Call

Remember that HoPE sessions are available free of charge to anyone who would like to experience the gentle, powerful effects of our friendly equine residents to calm, soothe and renew. Call Susan at 805/368-5702 to set up a time when a Compassionate Witness will be available.

Gift for the Sanctuary: Volunteers

Wonderful volunteers like Jeff Smith, Cathi and Kris, Gail, Robin, Kerin, Renny and many others are a special gift to Heaven Can Wait's animals. We need your help to visit with, socialize, pet and brush loving horses and donkeys who welcome you with joy. Bring your friends for a visit, too. There is never a charge to enjoy the beautiful animals in a handsome setting, and you know you are making a difference for these wonderful creatures.

We can also use gifts in kind, such as usable tack and riding clothes in good condition, horse related books and collectibles for our Benefit Bargains. If your civic group or you and your friends would like to do a garage or yard sale for the Sanctuary we will be there, gratefully, to help.



There are also many instances when a horse or donkey sponsorship is the perfect gift to show your affection and to support good works in our community. Let us know what you have in mind and we will prepare and send a suitable certificate for your giftee.

“Hoofbeat” Treat

Please check out Dorothy Rogers’ “Hoofbeat” column in the January edition of the Paso Robles Magazine – she has mentioned Heaven Can Wait in addition to having a lot of great info on the local horse community. Thanks, Dorothy.

Your kindness continues to inspire us.

Susan Schwartz, Founder

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